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Each of the chief organs of the body is a link in the chain of life. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link. The body is no stronger than its weakest organ. If there is a heart or stomach trouble...

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PIUS X.

Giuseppe Sarto, who was yesterday elected Pope, was born in the diocese of Treviso, and was created a cardinal at the age of 39 years.

Cardinal Sarto enjoys great popularity in his diocese, and is honored by all for his purity, for the strict uprightness of his life, and for his liberal ideas. He is a modest and agreeable man, highly cultivated, very kind-hearted, still strong and robust, in spite of his 68 years. He has never taken great part in the political and public life of the church, but divided his time between study and good works. Although most faithful to the King and Queen of Italy in Venice, he may be considered among the more liberal members of the Italian episcopate and Sacred College. He is rather timid in expressing an opinion. It is said that Leo XIII. always thought very highly of him, and sided with him on one occasion when Sarto disapproved of Rampolla's policy.

Early in April Pope Leo, in a conversation with Father Perosi, the Italian composer, said, in speaking of Cardinal Sarto: "Hold him very dear, Perosi, as in the future he will be able to do much for you. We firmly believe he will be our successor."

He has been known for years as one of the greatest preachers in the church. "Sarto" in Italian means "tailor," and Pius X., when a young seminarian, being rather elegant in his priestly robes, his companions used to joke, saying that he evidently knew the business. He began his education at a seminary at Treviso, and continued at Padua, the seat of the famous university, one of the best, not only in Italy, but in the world.

Pius X. was only 22 when he was consecrated a priest at Castel Franco, the birthplace of the great master Giorgione, acting afterwards for nine years as confessor to the parish priest of Tombolo, province of Padua, a small village of 2,500 people, who were the first to appreciate his virtues. His kindness was untiring. He sought to fill their wants, and never a murmur was heard when he was called in the middle of a winter night to a deathbed. He gave freely of his very small means, until he often went without meals himself, but he kept many a poor family from starvation.

In 1867 he was appointed parish priest at Salzano, which was considered an important promotion, being a village of 3,341 souls.

He distinguished himself so much at Salzano that he was only kept there two years, which is remarkable in the career of an Italian parish priest. In 1875 he was elected chancellor of the bishopric of Treviso, then spiritual director of that seminary, judge of the ecclesiastical tribunal and finally vicar general. Pope Leo appointed him in November, 1884, at the age of 39 years, bishop of Mantua, where he remained nine years, until 1893, when he was made a cardinal and appointed patriarch of Venice. He there distinguished himself as a thorough reformer, suppressing all abuses, restoring the dignity of the clergy and the earnestness of religion. To him is due the revival of a Gregorian chant in the beautiful churches, and to him is due the strict return to liturgical rules.

From his appointment rose heated polemics between the Holy See and the Italian government. The latter as heir to the ancient privileges granted by the Pope to the republic of Venice, sustained that it had the right to choose and appoint the patriarch. The government, however, after having long refused its exequatur, eventually granted it to Sarto, who, meanwhile, succeeded in gaining general esteem, including that of the government officials. The Italian cabinet has no feeling against Sarto personally. In fact, he might quite well have been their choice if the papacy had not wished him, but it was a political question, on which, however, they soon gave way.

Sarto became the idol of the Venetians. When his gondola went through the canals the people rushed on the bridges and along the sides of the canals, kneeling and saluting the women exclaiming "God bless the patriarch."

The new Pope used then to say that he did not like to go out of sight of the Lions of St. Mark, which now he will never see again, if, as is almost sure, he follows the rule inaugurated by his two predecessors, never to leave the Vatican.

He has very modest tastes, having retained almost the same habits as when he was a mere curate at Salzano. He was severe but just with his clergy. There is nothing he dislikes so much as publicity, detesting the praise and compliments of courtiers. Frankness is another of his principal qualities, although he is somewhat timid.

As the Italians say, he has no harm on his tongue or pen. Even so, Pius X. often wrote truths which were perhaps unpleasant. Advice from Riese, the birthplace of Pius X., and a village of 4,000 inhabitants, state that the Pope's mother, now dead, when living there occupied a small peasant's house, having in her humanity always refused to live with her son Giuseppe, as even his modest establishment was considered by her to be too luxurious in comparison with what she was accustomed to.

The new Pope is one of eight children, two sons and six daughters. One of his sisters is a dressmaker, another is married to a sacristan and peddler, a third married a winery keeper, and the others are unmarried. The new

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By order of the Senatorial Committee.

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